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INFLUENZA SEEMS TO BE ABATING RAPIDLY--CONDITIONS LOOK GOOD TODAY

FLOUR SUBSTITUTE ORDER IS CANCELLED

The food administration announced last night that the war restrictions on wheat and tin had been entirely removed and that the sugar ration had been increased from three to four pounds per person per month in the beet sugar producting states and in the cane sugar producing territory of Louisiana, effective December 1.

This action was taken because of the availability of sufficient sugar in that territory and because of the lack of cargo space for overseas shipment, together with the insufficient storage facilities in this country.

This ruling means that the American housewife need no longer bother about buying substitutes for wheat flour and the corner grocer may sell wheat flour without requiring the housewife to buy cornmeal or anything else if she does not want to.

Great relief will be experienced by the ruling on tin. On the long list of rulings specifying that food containers shall not be made of tin in part or whole is nullified by the administration's action.

Howard Heinz, Federal food administrator for Pennsylvania, returned to Philadelphia from a conference at Washington with Mr. Hoover and the state administrators, and announced that the 80-20 regulations regarding wheat flour substitutes terminated yesterday. In other words, wheat bread again comes into its own. It had been originally intended that the abolition of the wheat substitute rule would take place January 1, but in view of the shortage of foodstuffs for cattle, it was deemed wise to abolish the substitute rule at once.

Abatement of the 80-20 rule means that hereafter consumers may purchase flour without substitutes and bakers may bake wheat bread. The government is formulating plans for the purchase of surplus stocks of substitutes

This action is due to the fact that the accumulated stocks of wheat in Australia, India and South America immediately become available so far as is possible to secure shipping for their transportation.

Reports From Hospital and Town Show More Improvement Than in Many Weeks

Influenza and pneumonia seem to be rapidly on the decrease in Monessen as a result of the cooler weather and persistent efforts of doctors and nurses.

Reports from the emergency hospital and reports from our local undertakers look more encouraging today than at any time since the epidemic started.

Only one death has occurred in the local hospital during the past 24 hours, that of a two year old child, Lizzie Lobowsky of Belle Vernon, who died this morning.

It will be noted that the death rate is rapidly reducing and the list of dismissals is growing larger.

A retrospective survey of the town as a whole shows many recoveries, a lowering of new cases reported and fewer deaths, this paper getting only three deaths from local undertakers this morning as against from 10 to 18 daily all last week.

Most all new cases being admitted at the emergency hospital now are from Belle Vernon and Pricedale, 13 being received last night from that locality, while only three were entered from Monessen.

The hospital report up until noon today follows:

Total Admitted	255
Died	55
Dismissed	110
Patients today	90

PREPARATIONS NOW UNDER WAY FOR LOCAL TEACHERS INSTITUTE DECEMBER 2 to 6

The seventh annual session of the Monessen Teachers' Institute and the third annual session of the Rostraver township teachers' institute will be held in the High school auditorium, Monessen December 2 to 6.

The following is a brief outline of executive officers: H. E. Gress, president; W. H. Cober, vice president; enrollment clerk, Gertrude Gilchrist.

Evening entertainers:—

Tuesday—Strickland W. Gilliland.

Wednesday—Concert, the Berkaley Sextette.

Thursday—Lecturer—Dr. Russell H. Conwell.

The day instructors will be Dr. W. N. Ferris of Big Rapids Michigan; Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, Harrisburg, Pa.; Frank W. Wright, Boston, Mass.; Supt. Robert C. Shaw, Greensburg.

Prof. R. J. McDowell, of Pittsburgh, who has been here for several seasons and is a general favorite with Monessen people, will conduct the musical end of the program daily. Miss Sarah F. Baker of Belle Vernon, a teacher in the local High school, will be the pianist. The soloists will be Miss Gertrude Schmidt of Monessen and Miss Ethel Barth of Charleroi.

Members of the Monessen school board are as follows: F. D. Bumbaugh, president; A. N. Hood, vice president; R. S. Kelly, acting secretary; Dr. F. C. Duvall, F. H. Shutterly, J. W. Cadwallader, A. J. White.

Rostraver school board—Paul R. Hoffman, president; J. C. Nicholls, secretary; Ralph W. Lee, George H. Clark, Clarence E. Finley, Geo. F. Thompson, George Brown.

DOES HIS BIT FOR DEMOCRACY

Casper Weaver of Hawthorne avenue, Greensburg, cast his sixty-eighth annual vote for Senator William C. Sproul and the entire Republican ticket November 5 with the apt remark that he could think of no better way to do his share toward making the world safe for democracy. Mr. Weaver, who is aged 91, voted the first time for Zachary Taylor. That was in Salem, O., 70 years ago. Two years later he came to Greensburg to reside and has voted regularly in the same election district for Republican candidates ever since. Except for a slight defect in hearing he is in perfect health. Every Sunday finds him in his pew at the United Brethren church, of which he has been a member 60 years.

MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT

Monessen council met last night in the borough building, this being really the regular monthly meeting which had been held up on account of the chamber being occupied by the local exemption board in filling out and handling questionnaires on the regular meeting night. The following members were present: Allison, Johnston, Cooper, Hampton, Knight, Robins. Bills were ordered paid. A committee to prepare resolutions on the death of A. J. Pancook had been named as follows: Johnson, Cooper, Knight and Johnson. The resolution was presented, accepted and ordered recorded, also to be printed in the papers of the town.

E. A. Wells was nominated and unanimously elected and sworn in by Burgess Stewart to fill the vacancy caused by the death of A. J. Pancook.

A petition for a light at the intersection of Oneida street and Luce avenue, was referred to the light committee.

The bond of the Donora Construction company for paving Linden avenue was accepted. The treasurer's report was read and accepted, as was also the report of the burgess which showed that $499.00 had been turned in to the borough. Total fines for the month of October were $559.00.

An ordinance was passed on third and final reading regulating assemblages, public gatherings, speakings, etc., on all or any of the streets of Monessen.

On motion of Knight, seconded by Robins the question of taking over the Tri-Cities Water company was referred to the borough solicitor. The motion carried.

E. A. Wells was appointed to take the place on all committees on which Mr. Pancook had been serving.

The final payment for the paving of Linden avenue, wah referred to the streets and roads committee.

The chair of Arthur J. Pancook, deceased was draped in full mourning until the next regular meeting

Soldier's Letter

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Williams of 200 McKee avenue, have received the following letter from their son in France. It was written prior to the signing of the armistice, no doubt by this time, Private Williams has experienced his disappointment like many others in not having the pleasure of helping chase the German army clear into Berlin. The letter follows:

France October 23, 1918.

Dear Parents:

Just a line or two to let you know I am in France. Was at Boulogne for a day or two but am now at the Canadian Base. I am feeling fine at present and have seen a few things new in France. Dont know when we will go up the line, but we hope to assist in keeping Fritzie running as he has been for a week or more. Have to get used to the French language now and also the money. Had quite a job at first in England getting used to the shilling and pence. Will write later and give you more news when settled. Love to all,

Your loving son.
Cadivor Williams

DOUGLASS BUSINESS COLLEGE RE-OPENS

The Douglas Business College at Charleroi will re-open Monday, November 18, both day and evening sessions.

DOUGLAS BUSINESS COLLEGE. It fp

—Prof. H. E. Gress and W. H. Neely of the High school faculty, left today for Washington county where they expect to enjoy a two days' hunting trip.

BIG WAR RELIEF DRIVE NOW IN FULL SWING WITH ENCOURAGING RESULTS FIRST DAY

Partial Reports From Five Teams Yesterday Are Very Encourging and Work Goes on

This, the second day of the United War Work drive finds all committees hard at work, and judging from yesterday's report the quota for Monessen for $40.00, along with $10,000 for the Slovak Relief Fund will go over the top by Saturday night.

Tabulation on yesterday's work shows partial reports from five teams that $3,450 were collected. This of course does not include the work being done in any of the mills, and the first day's work through the town presents a most encouraging aspect.

With what is being done by the committees along with the contributions to be made by the big mills, there is no fear of falling behind our quota. Everyone, man, woman and child has an opportunity to contribute to this War Relief Fund, $1,750,000 and each person is urged to give what they can. If you can't give much, give little, but make as liberal a donation as you can.

Beneath all your activities, underlying all your thoughts of the last four years has been the longing and praying for the establishment of a righteous peace. That peace has come—and today you owe an offering of unbounded thanks to the brave men of our army and navy whose heroic service and sacrifice has helped to win peace for us through their toil and blood.

This week the seven organizations authorized by the government to render service to the men in our army and navy have combined, at the Presidents request, in the United War Work campaign to raise, at least, $170,500,000 to carry on the their work. These seven organizations are the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., National Catholic War Council (K. of C.) Jewish Welfare Board, War Camp Comunity Service, American Library Association and the Salvation Army.

A moment's thought will show you that the welfare work among the boys "Over There" is of even more vital importance during these first months of peace than ever before. It is absolutely impossible to bring back, at once, the more than 2,000,000 Americans who are, today, overseas—it will take a year or more.

The stimulus of actual warfare is over—it is for you, through your recognized war welfare organizations, to furnish comfort, entertainment and love to your soldiers and sailors that will make this winter an inspiration and education for them—if you fail, these brave men who have fought for you, face a winter more lonely and more dreary than they have ever known before.

LONGER DAY AND LOWER WAGES TO COME SAYS FOUNDERS' PRESIDENT

Abolition of the national eight-hour day, a lowering of war time scales are essential if American mines and factories are to continue to compete in the world of trade, according to William H. Barr of Buffalo, president of the National Founders' Association, who addressed the annual convention of the organization in New York yesterday, declaring the liquidation of labor to be "the first and greatest problem which will demand the attention of our industry."

Mr. Barr counseled the meeting of this problem without resentment or bitterness.

"The time ahead," he declared, "is not one of reprisals or the remembering of ancient wage feuds. It is a time for better understanding of basic manufacturing principles and closer operation for the common good. For American industry will have a problem to face as serious as the war problem.

"When the government ceases to be the great common employer and government money no longer pays the present extravagant wages, can private industry so order its affairs as to contine to furnish employment to the millions of our workmen? This question, broad and comprehensive, is the labor problem which will come after the war."

Mr Barr demanded the withdrawal of government supervision, declaring the "governmental directive powers" have proven "incapable and dangerous."

Other speakers urged that the national war labor board be abolished and that "employers and employes be permitted to work out their own destinies."

FORMER MONESSEN LADY IS MARRIED

The marriage of Mr. W. M. Brown and Miss Viva May Price took place Thursday evening, Nov. 7th, at 8 o'clock at the Brown home on South Stone street, Big Bend, Kansas, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. V. Burns in the presence of only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. Folowing the ceremony a wedding supper was served.

Mr. Brown is too well and favorably known to the people of the community to be in need of any introduction, for he has been a resident of the city and county for many years and is one of the most popular men of the community.

His bride is a daughter of Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Price, former residents of this city. She is a trained nurse by profession and has made this city her home for several years and is a most estimable young woman with a host of warm friends, who will join in wishing the couple a long and happy wedded life.

The above is taken from one of the Great Bend, Kansas papers. Mrs. Brown is well known in Monessen, having formerly been Mrs. William J. Bramley. She has just returned to Great Bend from Monessen, where she visited several weeks, and the happy couple have the best wishes of a wide circle of the bride's friends in Monessen.

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The voice of America will not again be trifled with and flouted. When our representatives speak, they will be listened to. Our power to rise within a short time and exert an overwhelming force has been abundantly demonstrated. The notion that the United States is an easy going, money loving nation, that had no sense of pride, no power of resistance, no force to make its principles and standards felt, has been shattered.

The most frightful threat the world ever met since the Dark Ages has been challenged. Cruelty, rapine, lust, rapacity, brutality have been defied and driven into their dens. The world is once more free to go the way of honest and peaceful industry.

A great military record has been made. Our boys have proved that the fiber of the nation has not softened. The feats of our soldiers compare with anything you can find on the most golden pages of history.

A glorious record of civic service has been achieved. Our people have proved their willingness to sacrifice, to place country and community first, and their own personal welfare last.

Our losses it is true have been irreparable. The noble lives of thousands of young men have passed from us. But all human advance is gained at the cost of similar sacrifice. The blessings we enjoy today were all paid by the blood and tears of previous generations.

We lay our reverent tribute of gratitude at their feet, and enter the new door of opportunity they have opened for us.

HANDY MEN

An item from a newspaper exchange notes that one of its townspeople, a factory employe, has within the past three months built for himself a two story house. He did it Saturday afternoons and evenings outside of working hours, although he had had no experience in house building. One can't help admiring the industry and mechanical ability of a man who does that kind of thing.

In these days when carpenters are scarce and highly paid, the securing of a comfortable home is a great problem for many people. Most men are helpless on any kind of building operation. Still there are a considerable number who do attempt to put up little dwellings.

In the outskirts of almost any manufacturing town, you can find simple little cottages that workmen have put up for themselves in odd moments. Theey are bare to the point of ugliness, lacking all the finish that a trained carpenter would give eveu to a simple little home. But no doubt the artisan who put them up feels a satisfaction in his tiny little mansion, which he exhibits proudly to visitors.

The great majority of men are strangers to the saw and the hammer. They can hardly fix a door latch or repair a broken window screen. In the present condition of the labor market, it is a heavy charge if all these little repairs must be made by hired help.

So the schools that have put in manual training courses are giving working people a very practical lift in meeting one of the burdens of their lot. Where a man has no mechanical skill, a house soon runs down, and the place acquires a dilapidated appearance. A nail and a screw skillfully applied here and there keeps up the tone of the property and makes it more valuable. If the tenant can perform these little repairs to a hired house, the landlord is content with a more moderate rental.

EDITORIALETTES

It is unanimously agreed by the politicians of both parties that the election was a sharp warning to the other side.

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The only people who have contributed nothing to the securing of a grand and glorious peace, are the Pacifists.

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Some of the slackers who formerly kicked on having to serve in the army, are now complaining because they won't get a chance to gove over.

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So far the suffragists have not protested against the unfairness of playing cards, by which the king can always take the queen.

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A lot of stenographers have gone to Washington to help win the war, many of them wearing skirts so narrow that they have to take six inch steps to get across the office.

EXPLORER'S WORK IN AFRICA

Frenchman Sheds Light on Vast Region Hitherto Comparatively Unknown—Needs Railway.

Commandant Tilho, the well-known French explorer of the Sudan, has recently published a report on the results of five years' work during 1912-17 in the hitherto unknown region lying along the frontier between the French Sahara and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. Tilho was entrusted with the task of pacifying and organizing this region under the French government; and his surveys embrace a stretch of previously unexplored country extending more than 1,100 miles from the center of Tibesti southeast to the vicinity of El Fasher, in Darfur. His cartographic work fills up a large blank in the map of Africa. He urges the need of a railway through this region, for the benefit not only of the world at large, but also of the natives, who are subject to periodical famines. It is stated that from one-half to three-fourths of the inhabitants of northern Wadai died of famine in 1914. One especially interesting result of his investigations is the disproof of the hypothesis, supported by his earlier explorations, that there is a connection between Lake Chad and the Nile river system. Tilho explored the volcanic Emi-Kussi, 11,100 feet in altitude, with an immense crater over seven miles in diameter and 130 feet deep.—Scientific American.

All Fighting Men Brothers.

A young American army private came out of a gilded Broadway florist's the other afternoon carrying a very large and expensive bouquet tied up in waxed paper and walked toward one of those stunty baby doll roadsters at the curb.

As he was crossing the sidewalk along came another American army private, undeniably of Italian descent, and known along Broadway for his ability to wield the polishing rag at a Herald square shoe shining parlor. The two stopped to exchange greetings.

"'Lo, Fish Face!"

"'Lo, Wop! Where you goin'?"

"To see me brudder!"

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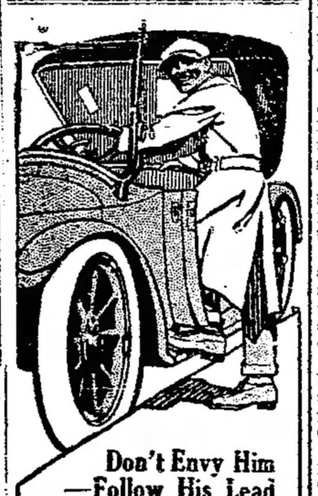

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The Living Voice

By LOIS MARIAN TERHUNE

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A shaded romance had come into the life of Alma Duryea. Until she met Wilfred Drake existence had been monotonous, uneventful, but replete with peace and comfort. The old aunt with whom orphaned Alma lived accepted her service thanklessly, but she saw that the girl relative was provided with respectable attire and each month gave her a little pin money for herself.

Alma had met this stranger, Wilfred Drake, at a town picnic. They had become acquainted. He had called upon her several times and all but confessed his love. She knew only that he was a traveler for a mercantile house and had a mother with some means.

"I am coming back this way in a month," he told Alma at parting, his hand pressing her own lingeringly. "I wish to tell my mother what sweetness and hope has come into my life through association with you."

How could she help but trace a half-supposed promise in these few words? The days were happy ones that followed, for she counted them over and over like beads of a rosary of love, and then, when nearly two months had passed by and no word from him, her soul grew faint, and then hopeless.

Her aunt had grown old and helpless and was thinking of going into an old woman's home. It would be necessary for Alma to reconstruct her life, for she had no claim upon the bounty of this relative. There was growing in Alma's mind the thought that Wilfred had forgotten her. She was inexperienced in business ways and her prospects were those of a friendless young girl cast upon the mercies of a cold, unsympathizing world.

Then one morning there came a letter that opened a new wondrous chapter in Alma's life. The writing was feminine and unfamiliar, its contents brief, but to the point. "My son Wilfred is dead. He was one of a hundred who went down with a torpedoed steamer. You are the first woman he ever loved outside of his mother, and had he lived you would probably soon have become his wife. As it is, I ask you to share my lonely lot. I can love you as an own daughter, for Wilfred loved you. Will you arrange to come to me, to home and mother in the true sense of the word?"

Alma wept for hours over the sad intelligence of the death of the man to whom she had looked as friend and lover. She now understood that he had not forgotten her, but that fate had ended their mutual romance. The letter from Mrs. Drake touched her deeply. She consulted with her aunt, who was relieved to know that her dependent was provided for.

It was at the end of a bright summer day that Alma stood, timorous and uncertain, on the doorstep of a beautiful home in a suburb of a large city. A cab had delivered her at the Drake home. A beautiful house surrounded by a lovely garden greeted her vision. Her hand trembled as she rang the door bell. Coming down the hall was a white-haired, gentle-faced woman who glanced once at Alma and then reached out her arms towards her.

"My poor bereft love!" she voiced. "My daughter! Welcome!"

She led Alma into a room where, over the mantel, was a portrait of Wilfred and one of herself enlarged from a small photograph Alma had given her lost lover.

"There will be no one in the house but you and I except an old servant," Mrs. Drake said. "I hope it will not be dull and lonesome for you."

"It will be infinite rest," said Alma, and then far into the night those two mourning souls communed one with the other. Wilfred had been all in all to both, and they spoke of little except hallowed memories of the past.

It was the next evening that Mrs. Drake led Alma into a room which she told her had been the favorite lounging place of Wilfred when he was at home. On a stand was a dictaphone.

"I sit here daily for hours," said Mrs. Drake. "My son, when traveling, carried a dictaphone with him and had this one at home besides. He used to talk his letters into the one with him and send me the most of the cylinders."

Then those two would sit hand in hand, listening enrapt to the voice so dear to them. There was one record which comprised a twilight song which had been a great favorite with Wilfred.

"I have used it so much," explained Mrs. Drake, "that it is wearing out." And Alma brought her comfort by suggesting she get the original.

A month went by and one evening they were listening to the song, when its tones began to be indistinct. They faded away softly in the middle of the song. Suddenly, startlingly through an open window the strain was caught up. In marvelling wonder Alma and Mrs. Drake sat bewildered and then transfixed for through the window there stepped Wilfred Drake.

"Mother! Alma! Oh, this is as it should be!" and he drew both to a fervent caress. They scarcely heeded his rapid story of escape from the sinking steamer and illness for dreary weeks, for they could only pour out their souls in tears, in smiles, in joyous gratefulness over the lost one found.

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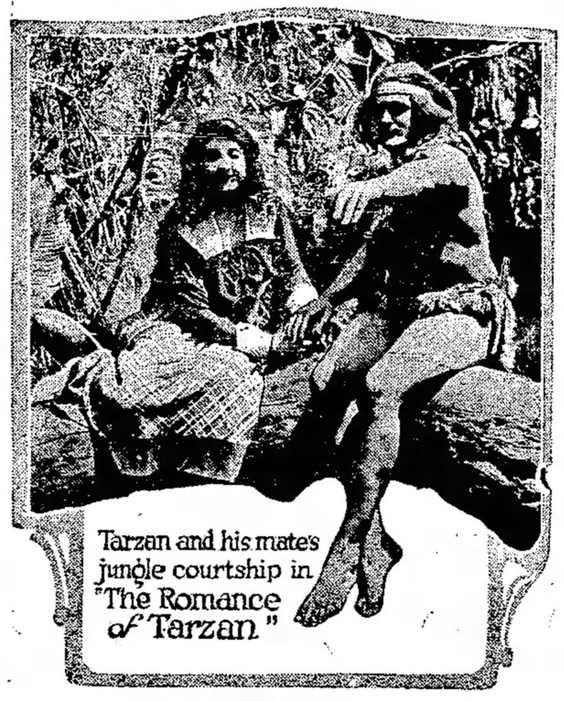

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A Fair Bargain

By OTILLIA FRANCES PFEIFFER

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The snow was two feet deep on the level and Rufus Dale, shutting in his live stock for the night, looked down the road with curiosity and interest. A man driving a sleigh seemed unable to control the animal attached.

Farmer Dale plowed his way through the drifts to where the man had landed. The latter had arisen to his feet and made for the support of the fence, limping.

"Hurt?" inquired Dale.

"Ankle twisted, I fancy," came the careless reply. "That horse wanted his supper in the home barn eh? I reckoned on reaching Yewton."

"You won't tonight," said Dale, "nor tomorrow, either, if this keeps up. There must be drifts six feet deep along the river road and more coming. You let me help you into the house and see what we can do for your injured limb."

A great glow of warmth and comfort greeted the victim of the runaway as he was assisted into the living room of the capacious country home. There was the buxom, always smiling wife of the proprietor, two stalwart sons and as many blooming daughters. Mrs. Dale took charge of the patient. She insisted on bathing and bandaging his foot and soon he was drawn up in a great, old-fashioned armchair facing the blazing fireplace, the very air seeming to brighten with influences of of comfort, harmony and content.

"You'll stay here until the roads are passable, stranger," said Dale, and the hum of pleasant voices, the musical clatter of tins and crockery, the quips and jokes of the young men and the repartee of the elder sisters were an accompaniment to most congenial surroundings.

"Where's Daisy?" the guest heard Dale ask finally.

"Oh, she would have it that the pony might get frozen to death way over in the shelter sheds, and insisted on bringing him to the stables. There she is now," announced Mrs. Dale, and a gay, ringing laugh, scampering feet, and a girl wearing overalls and a pair of high-protecting boots burst into the living room.

"All the horses are wild to get shelter," said this snow-glistening winter sprite. "I saw one running away with a sleigh down the road, and the pony was so glad to get near home she just kissed me."

Ronald Deere, viewing this rare vision of loveliness and innocence, would have liked to have had the right to kiss her, too. He was at once attracted and impressed by this fairest of the family jewels. Her presence brought loveliness and mirth at once into the family circle. He was half in love with her when she carried the footstool to the supper table for him. He was wholly so as she loaned him her arm to get up to his room. It snowed all the next day. He was glad. And the one after that—he was gladder still.

The Dales soon learned that their young man guest was the owner of a large factory 100 miles away, recently left to him by his father. The latter had been a manufacturer of pottery and conduit pipe, and more latterly had been doing a great deal in concrete cement hitching posts, fence pillars, and the like.

"Down near Orrville," explained Mr. Deere, "I ran across an old marl deposit that has just the material I need. I've decided to buy it. They told me it was owned by a man at Yewton. I was on my way there when I was dumped into—paradise," and he glanced at Daisy, "by that runaway."

"Why, father," began Daisy, "he means the Thorn Hill property," but her mother silenced her with a quick gesture.

"I know the owner," said Mr. Dale. "You'll have to see his lawyer. What do you think of paying for it, Mr. Deere?"

"I am willing to offer ten thousand dollars."

"Won't do," replied Dale. "You need it; he doesn't have to sell."

"I might make it fifteen thousand dollars. Come, friend, for you are one, can't you work it around on that basis?"

"I think I can. The storm has let up. We'll take the cutter and run over to the lawyer tomorrow. You have some shopping to do, Daisy. You can come with us, if you like."

Daisy, like the thoughtful little nurse she was, saw that Deere was tucked in the back seat of the sleigh with numerous robes and sat next to him. They left her at a dry goods store and proceeded to the lawyer. The latter drew out the papers.

"Why!" exclaimed Deere, looking over them, "you are the owner of the marl hill, Mr. Dale!"

"That doesn't change the bargain, does it?" inquired Dale. "You don't blame a man for getting five thousand dollars more than he would have taken?"

"Oh, no," said Deere, a quick reciprocal twinkle in his eyes. "Why, to tell the truth, I had put aside thirty thousand dollars to buy that property, if I had to."

"Fifteen thousand slipped out of my hands!" muttered Dale ruefully.

Deere leaned over to him so the lawyer could not hear.

"Mr. Dale," he said, "give me permission to ask Daisy to become my wife, and, don't you see, the money will remain in the family!"

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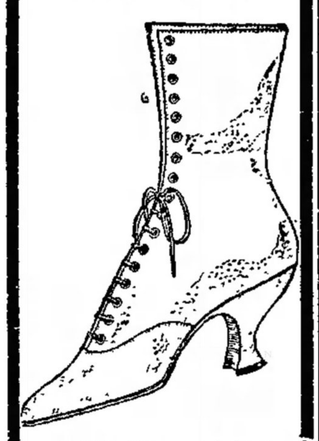

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WANTED—Good laundress and up stairs girl for hotel. Call Bell phone 9896. 20-tf

WANTED—At once, woman to do washing; call 339-R or inquire Mrs. Morse Ney, No. 4 Knox avenue. 30-tf

HELP WANTED—Inquire Hotel Monessen. 30-3t

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LOCAL NOTES

—Milton Mirandy, proprietor of the Philadelphia Candy Kitchen, has been on the sick list, but is improving.

—Carl Woodward of the real estate firm of Hibbs and Woodward, who has been confined to his home several days on account of sickness is able to be at his office.

—Gus Kruell of 448 Donner avenue, is confined to his home,suffering from influenza and a general breakdown over the recent loss of his two daughters.

—The family of Boro Clerk J. E Pittman have all fully recovered from influenza except the baby, who is now able to walk about the room

—Mrs. W. S. Moore, of the Parkview apartments, Sixth and Schoonmaker, who has been confined to her bed for three weeks with a severe attack of pleurisy, is able to sit up at intervals

—Born to Mr. and Mrs Jack R. Keefer of 508 Donner avenue, a ten pound baby girl. The mother and babe are getting along nicely and Jack is stepping about handing out 25c cigars to the boys.

—The case of the commonwealth against Mrs Blanche Minney for the felonious shooting of Robert Payne, colored, some time ago, has been continued until the February term of court

—Samuel F. Nirdlinger, known in the theatrical and public life as Samuel F Nixon, died at ht shome in Philadelphia last night He was one of the most prominent theatrical men in the country, being owner of the Nixon theatre, Pittsburgh.

—Henry Fusarini of Attorney Reamer's office but who resides in Donora, is able to be in Monessen today for the first time after undergoing a seige of influenza. His family which was also badly afflicted have about recovered

—Manufacture of Ford pleasure cars is soon to be resumed by the Ford plant, according to E G. Liebold, general secretary to Henry Ford "We expect to resume the manufacture of pleasure cars as fast as we are released on war contracts being fulfilled," said Mr. Liebold.

INFLUENZA NOT WIPED OUT IN STATE

The state department of health at Harrisburg last night issued this statement:

"The epidemic of influenza has by no means subsided in many sections of the state, according to reports of outbreaks received today by the state department of health The death toll from influenza and pneumonia since October 10 has now passed the 40,000 mark, and a total of 612 deaths from influenza and pneumonia are reported for the 24 hour period up to noon today

"Conditions still continue serious in the city of Erie, where a large number of cases are reported daily and where 13 deaths occurred during the last 24 hours. More than 300 cases are reported from Cresson. Cambria county, and many new cases are reported at Portage, Jeannette, New Florence and Saltne in Westmoreland county. All report a number of new cases developing daily and several deaths. Morrisdale, in Clearfield county, and Coalmont and Broadtop in Huntingdon county, report that the epidemic is still raging in their districts"

Dr. B. Fraklin Royer, acting commissioner of health, reported an urgent need for doctors in vicinities where the epidemic is still raging.

Walk in Cold Fatal

Gnadenhutten, O.—Exposure from their walk to a neighbor's home while delirious from influenza resulted in the death of Adolph E Grimm, aged 35, soon after his arrival there. Mrs Grimm who accompanied him, may die. They eluded nurses and made their exit from a window of their sick room.

140 in Smithfield Ill

Smithfield, Pa.—Just when the residents of Smithfield, sorely stricken a few weeks ago, as a result of the population being ill with influenza, believed they had conquered the disease, 140 new cases made their appearance over night. The town has about 600 inhabitants There have been several deaths

Died

Joseph T. Jr., son of Mr and Mrs J. F. Rodebaugh of 463 Schoonmaker avenue, died Wednesday afternoon The funeral will be held Friday, with interment in Mt. Vernon cemetery

Anna Cain, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Michael Cain of 1077 Eleventh street, died Wednesday, aged 18 years, of influenza and pneumonia Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks to our neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy to us during the sickness and death of our blessed wife and mother, Sarah Wilkes

Milton Wilkes
and Family
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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to sincerely thank all neighbors and friends who were so kind and helpful during the illness and death of our beloved daughters, Isabelle and Jennie Kruell To all those who tendered beautiful floral tributes and sympathy, we wish to express our deepest appreciation and their many kindnesses will be ever remembered by

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Two houses on one lot. one a 6-room house, brick foundation, rents for $35 and the other a 4-room house, with bath, stone foundation, that will rent for $25. Price $5700.00

One lot 36 ft. x 207 ft. price $700.00

One lot 40 ft x120 ft., Delaware avenue. price $700.00

One lot 22ft.x100ft., Schoonmaker avenue, price $2,000.00

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NO PLACE IN EUROPE FOR SIGHTSEERS

There is no place in Europe yet for the sightseer; for the thousands of Americans who have been awaiting the end of the war to rush over and view the battlefields and devastated cities and towns left in the wake of the great contending armies

The European embassies in Washington are receiving many applications for permission to take passage for Europe. It was explained today that they have been obliged to reply that not only is there still need for governmental purposes of all available transportation services, but the continuing necessity of the strictest conservation of the slender food resources of Europe forbids the entry for a long time to come of sightseers and persons who have not the most urgent business reasons for visiting the continent and the British isles

At the offices of the neutral lines, today, preparations were under way for a prospective large increase in business and a resumption of regular sailings. Several of the largest of the lines' neutral flags now are in port at New York, and are being made ready for sailing

From all of these ships, it is said, at the offices of their owners, there are applications for more than sufficient passengers to fill all accommodations, but no passage is definitely booked until the applicant has complied with all wartime regulations imposed by the United States government

Prisoners to be Released From Germany

One of the immediate effects of the armistice which Germany signed early Monday morning will be the release of all allied prisoners without a like reciprocity on the part of the allies. This will mean that all Americans who have been held prisoners by the Huns must be released and allowed to return to their respective armies. When these men get to their commands it will be possible to tell in what manner they were treated by the Germans while being held in prison camps. Some gruesome tales have come from Germany as to the manner in which the prisonerss have been treated; their release within the next few days will tell the tale in a manner not to be doubted.

HERRING FISHERS DO WELL

Splendid Catches and High Prices Have Been the Rule Among Them for Many Years Now.

The herring fisher works always on the night shift, not because the fish feed at night—herring take no known bait—but because they can be seen at night.

Taking their cue from the whale or seagull as to the location of the herring, the boats go off two by two (for they work always in couples) late in the evening to the fishing ground. Arrived there, they stop their motors, and gliding silently over the dark waters they look for the fish.

One of the men bumps the anchor two or three times on the bow of the boat, and instantly a patch of water lights up with a bright phosphorescent gleam. It is the herring, and the ringnet (now more generally used in the west of Scotland than the driftnet) is lowered. It is held up by corks and has a small light at one end. This the partner boat picks up; they circle around the herring until the two boats come together, when most of the men climb into one boat, where they draw the net, with the herring, on board.

In this little Highland village the men of the last two generations have done well with the fishing. Their boats, complete with nets and motor, cost between £300 and £400, but only the other night a couple of boats, owned by brothers, divided £750 between them for one night's catch.—London Mail.

COMFORT BAGS PLEASE ALL

Nothing Given Out by the Red Cross Is More Appreciated by the Soldiers on Service.

The following is an extract from a letter of a Red Cross hospital representative

"The men like the comfort kits better than anything the Red Cross gives them We have asked dozens of them what they like best of all that is given them—tobacco, magazines, amusements, etc.—and they all say at once the comfort kits and toilet articles They come in from the front without even a toothbrush, and when I send the bags around by the other patients, they come back and say: 'Say, you oughter see how pleased those guys were—they said it was just like Christmas They were all sitting up in bed looking at the things in their bags.'

'The other day one man who had lost his right hand, called me over to him and said: 'Here, I'll donate my sewing-kit My wife has got to do mine after this. I'm out of it. You can give this to some other fellow who needs it' He had heard the others asking for sewing-kits all down the ward. They are in great demand and very hard to get."

Gift From French Republic.

Three phrases from President Wilson's war messages will be woven in a costly Gobelin tapestry France is having made as a gift to the city of Philadelphia. The tapestry is to be hung in the museum in the Quaker city and is about to be placed in the hands of the workers at the famous Gobelin factory for completion, according to an exchange

The tapestry will be 21 feet by 15 feet. It will be full of life and color and will have an atmosphere of enthusiasm and patriotism in portraying troops departing from Philadelphia for Europe to participate in the war of justice

Below are three panels containing these phrases from President Wilson's messages:

"Right is more precious than peace."

"We have no selfish end to serve and desire no conquest and no domination."

"We shall fight for democracy."

Horsemen Knew Their Business.

The value of having practical horsemen in charge of remount camps is shown in provisions made for shelter. When it came to building the great depots required at each of the camps they ordered open sheds instead of barns—for the severe northern climate, sheds closed on one side. To the city-bred humanitarian who saw thousands of Uncle Sam's horses and mules standing out in the cold, this seemed cruel, and complaint was entered. But by practical test it was shown that the horsemen were right. Those animals which were housed up did not thrive as well as the ones which were kept in the open. When talking with the head of the remount division the thing he was most proud of was the fact that our horses were kept in better condition with fewer losses, than the horses of England or France, and that we did this with a much smaller man force, largely because we give them open air treatment.

Lookouts Develop New Disease.

"Eye work is perhaps the biggest part of submarine hunting," writes William G. Shepherd, in Everybody's, "and it has its evils and penalties Woe to the man on a destroyer who is gifted with that strange, unexplainable talent of being able to see by night. There be such. His is almost a 24 hour-a-day task. And he finally gets the 'periscope eye' and is sent ashore to get well, if he can. His eyes weep tears of pus by day and, after sleep, his lids are glued together with granulation. It is a new disease of this mad century.

"You keep looking through those high power binoculars like an old lady reading through her spectacles, one of the boys explained to me, 'until finally they seem to be pulling your eyes out of their sockets'"

Hands Up!

By RALPH HAMILTON

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Rolfe Dayton was sorry that necessity had ever forced his brother-in-law, Warren Sholes, to bring his sister and her sweet little child to Plympton. There was a town, but it was primitive. The large smelting plant did a profitable business and made money, and Sholes was well paid, but beyond the limits of the place was the wilderness, infested by disorganized but dangerous groups of criminals and fugitives, who periodically raided the various settlements, leaving terror and loss behind them. The scenery along the valley, however, was lovely, and Mrs. Sholes had a little pony phaeton which helped her while the time away pleasantly.

"Will you do an errand for me, Rolfe?" she inquired one morning, and Rolfe, glad for a break in the dullness of his vacation monotony, nodded a willing assent.

"There is a Miss Vehmeyer, an old spinster, who lives some six miles along the main traffic turnpike. Yesterday Nettie, visiting a neighbor, went fairly wild over an Angora kitten a child had, who told me she had bought it from Miss Vehmeyer, who has quite a brood of them for sale. It is a short and pleasant drive, and Nettie is anxious to go with you and pick her kitten out.

"Oh yes, mamma—oh, please, Uncle Rolfe!" pleaded the excited little one.

Rolfe reached the little house described by him to notice a feminine form bending over a flower bed. "That must be Miss Vehmeyer," he observed to Nettie.

"Yes, and I'll run to her and tell her we want the kitten right away Uncle, dear'" and away sped Nettie in the direction of the garden. She returned led by the hand by the most bewitching young lady Rolfe had ever feasted his eyes upon

"I am Miss Traynor, niece of Miss Vehmeyer, who has gone away for the day," explained this paragon of beauty, and Rolfe surmised that she must belong to the Traynor family, who dominated about everything worth while in Plympton. She graciously invited him to accompany herself and her little charge to a shed where, confined in an immaculately clean coop, were the half-dozen little kittens.

"Now then, dear, which one do you like the best?" asked Aida Traynor, and Nettie's eyes roved all about and her choice fixed upon one which was climbing the wire as if anxious to get to Miss Traynor.

"You must keep Fluffy closely confined in a room for a week or so," she directed. "Twice I have placed her, and twice she has come back. Get her used to you, little one, and she will soon know you as well as she does me."

Miss Traynor placed Fluffy in a little wicker basket, which Nettie hugged close as if it held the greatest treasure in the world Rolfe paid a moderate price charged. Two days later Fluffy had vanished.

"There is of course nothing to do but to go to Miss Traynor and see if the truant has returned there," he decided, and started on foot for the isolated place, glad of an excuse to again meet a girl who had attracted him so mightily.

The runaway had, indeed, returned, as Rolfe had surmised. Miss Traynor again happened to be at her aunt's that afternoon. She put Fluffy safely in a new box and gave Rolfe some new explicit directions.

Rolfe set out on foot for the town About half the distance accomplished, a sharp shower came up. Near the river there was a dismantled structure. Rolfe ran for its shelter. As he passed a doorless aperture he heard voices in an adjoining room.

"Ten o'clock for the trick, fellows," spoke rough accents. "The tools will be here then, the bank is full to the brim with money, and the watchman arranged for."

"What's that?"

"That" was a low wail from the kitten in the box under Rolfe's arm. Before he could get outside three uncouth desperadoes were upon him. They dragged him to a room with only a small ventilating window in it, barred the door and left him to his fate.

"He's heard enough to spoil our game," said the leader. "We'll leave word that will send someone to him after we've got away with the plunder."

Rolfe Dayton thought quickly. The kitten—would it not return at once to Miss Traynor if he released it? He hastily scrawled a brief account of his situation and the purposes of his captors, secured the writing with the ribbon around Fluffy's neck and pushed the kitten through the little window. He saw it glide away through the grass in the direction of its old home. Then he knew he must wait patiently for developments.

Some other men arrived and bags of tools clattered on the floor. Then just as all hands were about to leave, there came a sharp order.

"Hands up!" Rolfe Dayton knew that clever Aida Traynor had received his message.

And, hands together, happy man and wife, many times after that they entranced their little children with the story of Fluffy, the clever Angora kitten, who saved the day!

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NEWSBOYS ON BATTLE FRONT

Belgian and French Youngsters Take Great Risks While Distributing Papers to the Soldiers.

During the first days of the war British soldiers going up to Mons from Boulogne were hailed by an ancient French dame with her only British phrase, "Da-e-ly Ma-i-l." She did her best. Since those far-off days "Da-e-ly Ma-i-l" has been called by the little Belgian and French boys and girls all along the line from Dunkirk to Belfort. Many a risk has been run to buy and sell the news of yesterday. One great load of copies of the London Daily Mail arrived at a distributing center by train just as the advancing wave of Germans threatened to pour over the line.

Prompt to the occasion the parcels were seized by the soldiers and thrown into the gap. Surely no newspaper parcels ever had a stranger fate than to be used, fresh from the press and unread, as sandbags for trenches and a shelter against a whining scurry of machine-gun bullets. Back in Paris an anxious publisher and thoughtful cashier wondered in what category of "unsold copies" the wagon load should be put.

Three times the Daily Mail has heard through advanced line distributing agents of paper sellers shot by snipers' bullets while making their way along the trenches

Two Brave Seamen Commended.

Two men of the United States navy have recently been commended for risking their lives to save shipmates. Turner S. Lux, boatswain's mate, national naval volunteers, saved a painter who fell overboard from the United States Steamer Housten. A life belt had been thrown to the man, but he failed to grasp it and was going down for the second time when Lux came to his rescue. Lux gave as his nearest kin G. H. Lux, 1827 Valence street, Birmingham, Ala. A similar service was performed by Chief Boatswain John M. Penix, whose mother, Mrs. Mary Stout, lives in Kingston, Ala.

First Drink Merely a Sample.

It was a hot day, and two sailors had just been released from a long spell of duty on a minesweeper. They made a bee-line for the first public house they saw, and one of them ordered two quarts of ale. The men emptied their mugs in one draught while the barmaid looked on in undisguised admiration.

The man who had paid stood for a second or two wiping his lips medi- fairly, and then turned to his c rade with a grin.

"'Taln't so bad, Bill, is it?" he marked. "Shall we 'ave some?"—London Tit-Bits.

Man Injured in Pittsburgh Steel Will Li

Reports from the Monongahela hospital are that after an X-ray ture of the body of Gust Fek who was injured Monday noon at wire mill of the Pittsburgh Steel, been taken, it was shown that bones had been broken and his c tion is not serious. Just about time the half holiday was decl Monday, Fekaris was caught bet an electric car and a cement wall, at first it was thought he was cru fatally.

QUESTIONNAIRE RULE I EXPLAINI

Confusion exists among r urnis under the selective service as to the filling out of questionn since the armistice with Ger was signed, according to draft l members. Orders received from jor W. G. Murdock at Harrisbu charge of state draft activities members of local boards, make what is expected of draft boards registrants.

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